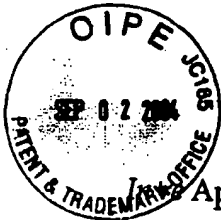


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Serial No.: 09/685,610

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Filed: October 11, 2000

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REQUEST FOR REFUND TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.26

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On June 14, 2004, Applicant filed a petition for a 5-month Extension of Time for Application No. 09/685,610, and simultaneously filed a Continuation Application based on Application No. 09/685,610 (later assigned Serial No. 10/865,962). A check (Check Number 8033107) in the amount of \$2010.00 was submitted with the petition for payment of the 5-Month Extension of Time. A second check (Check Number 8033108)

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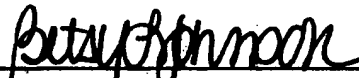
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In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the Deposit Account charge of \$770.00 is improper, and respectfully requests a refund in the amount of \$770.00 to be credited to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Should any comments, questions, or suggestions arise in connection with the processing of this request, the person processing this request is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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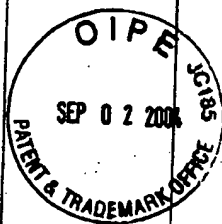

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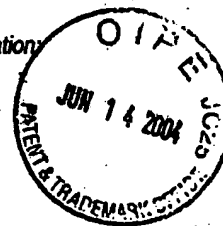
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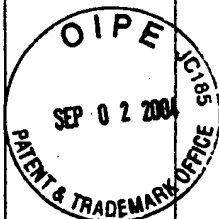
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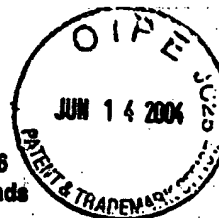
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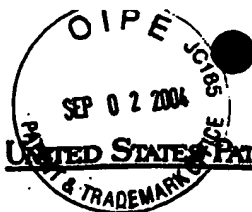
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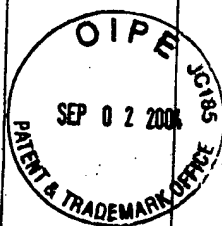
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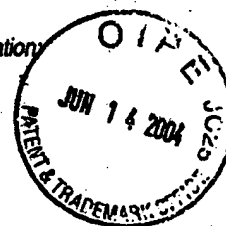
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2. ☒ Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
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